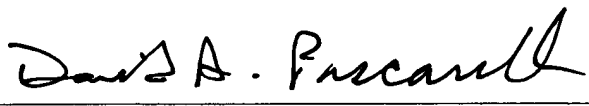
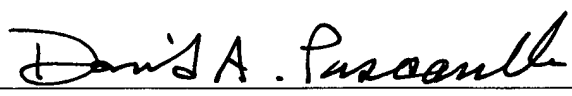


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09/927,065	August 9, 2001	AKINTOLA, Olabode	23405	3624	4308
Invention: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR CHECK PROCESSING USING BLANK CHECKS AT A POINT-OF-SALE					
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-1935 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17. <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038. <b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b>					
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RESPONSE TO THE FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the first Office Action mailed on September 8, 2006, in connection with the above-identified application. The three-month period for response expires December 8, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.